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Election Observer Panel

I. County and System Information

- Imperial County
- Dolores Provencio, Imperial County Registrar of Voters
- 760-482-4201
- Sequoia Voting System
- 400C/WinETP v. 1.12.4
- AVC Edge model II v.5.0.24
- May 24, 2010, testing date at 10:30 am

II. Purpose

The purpose of an Election Observer is to:

- Provide an avenue for public observation of the election process.
- Assist in ensuring transparency and integrity of the election process.
- Encourage participation and build voter confidence in the election process.

III. Invite: Send out letters of invitation

Letters of invitation have been extended to

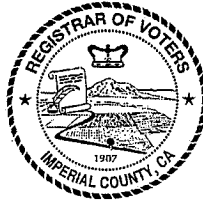
- Holtville City Clerk
- Brawley City Clerk
- Calexico City
- Central Committees, Democrat and Republican
- League of Cities – verbal invitation to participate
- Imperial County Clerk to the Board of Supervisors
- Private citizen

IV. Appointment Letters (introduction to precinct workers)

After the groups have provided the names of interested panelists, letters of introduction for when visiting polling places on Election Day will be prepared. Materials to be prepared for each panelist to use when visiting polling places on Election Day will include listing of all polling places within the county for that specific election as well as the central counting site location and hours of operation.

V. Mechanism for Feedback

Participants are encouraged to provide written feedback to Election Official



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General Rules for Observers

Observers may:

- Observe the proceedings at the polls, including the opening and closing procedures.
- Obtain information from the precinct index that is posted near the entrance.
- Make notes and watch all procedures.
- View all activities at the central counting site on election day
- View the canvass of the vote activities following the election
- View absentee and provisional ballot processing.
- Ask questions of staff or voters at the polls.
- Ask questions of Supervisors at the central counting site.

Observers are responsible for:

- Checking in at each site, whether polling place or central counting site.
- Wearing an identification badge.
- Maintaining a professional manner while observing the election processes.
- Ensuring they do not interfere with the elections process.

Observers may not:

- Interfere in any way with the conduct of the election.
- Touch any voting materials or equipment or sit at the official worktables.
- Converse with voters (within 100 feet of the entrance to a polling place) regarding the casting of a vote, or speak to a voter regarding his or her qualification to vote.
- Display any election material or wear campaign badges, buttons or apparel.
- Wear the uniform of a peace officer, a private guard, or security personnel.
- Use cellular phones, pagers, or two-way radios inside the polling place and/or within 100 feet of the entrance to the polling place.
- Talk to central counting site workers while they are processing ballots.
- Use the telephones, computers or other polling place facilities at polling places or the central counting site.
- Touch election personnel.
- Eat or drink in the polls or the central counting site.
- Assist in operations at any polling place.